No. R-190. House concurrent resolution honoring retired Winooski Police Chief Stephen J. McQueen for his exemplary law enforcement leadership.

(H.C.R.147)

Offered by: Representatives Bissonnette of Winooski, Gonzalez of Winooski, Evans of Essex, Jerman of Essex, Lippert of Hinesburg, and Myers of Essex

Whereas, Stephen McQueen's first law enforcement employment was as a St. Johnsbury police officer, and

Whereas, after completing an associate's degree at Lyndon State College, he attended a police personnel management course at Iona College and, in 2006, earned a bachelor's degree from Champlain College, and

Whereas, for several years, Stephen McQueen served at the Lamoille County Sheriff's Department, rising to the rank of Chief Deputy Sheriff, and

Whereas, in January 1984, Stephen McQueen began a 30-year association with the City of Winooski's police department and, while a sergeant, served as acting chief, and

Whereas, in January 1992, he was promoted to the position of lieutenant, making him the number two police officer in the department, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in February 1996, the City of Winooski recognized Stephen McQueen's proven professional record and history of effective leadership and selected him for the combined posts of Police Chief and Director of Public Safety, and

Whereas, Stephen McQueen has been a leader in the Vermont law enforcement community, serving as president of the Vermont Association of Chiefs of Police, a trustee of the Vermont Police Association, and a member of the Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council, and

Whereas, among his innovations in Winooski were the establishment of the State's first school resource officer and the creation of the first police-based community justice center, and

Whereas, Stephen McQueen was associated as an expert with Project Harmony, as a Vermont host and as a traveler to the Republic of Georgia, and

Whereas, in his hometown of Essex, Stephen McQueen held civic leadership positions, including town moderator and justice of the peace, and

Whereas, Stephen McQueen retired as Winooski City Police Chief in September of 2014, but he has remained associated with the city as a special revisor of the city's municipal code of ordinances, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors retired Winooski Police Chief Stephen J. McQueen for his exemplary law enforcement leadership, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Stephen McQueen.